

**Introduction** The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) was created by an interstate compact in 1967 to plan, develop, build, finance and operate a balanced regional transportation system in the national capital area. The Authority began building its rail system in 1969, acquired the four area bus systems in 1973 and began operating the first phase of Metrorail in 1976.

The following jurisdictions comprise the transit zone: District of Columbia; Maryland -- Montgomery and Prince George's counties; Virginia -- Arlington and Fairfax counties and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church.

----- **Holiday Schedule** New Year's Day Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Sunday schedule Martin Luther King Day Metrorail: 5:30 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Saturday schedule President's Day Metrorail: 5:30 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Saturday schedule Memorial Day Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Sunday schedule July 4th Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train (hours extended as needed) Metrobus: Saturday schedule Labor Day Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Sunday schedule Columbus Day Metrorail: 5:30 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Saturday schedule Veterans Day Metrorail: 5:30 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Saturday schedule Thanksgiving Day Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Sunday schedule Christmas Day Metrorail: 8 a.m. - Last Train Metrobus: Sunday schedule Note: Different schedules are followed on Metrobus depending on the route. Check the timetable or call Metro at 202-637-7000 (TDD 202-638-3780) ----- **Metrorail hours of operation** \* Metro operates seven days a week.

\* Rail stations open at 5:30 a.m. on weekdays and at 8 a.m. on weekends.

\* Metrorail closes at midnight except for special events such as the annual 4th of July fireworks display when hours are extended.

\* When traveling late at night, be sure to check the scheduled departure time for the last train. At many stations, the last train departs before midnight so it is important that you allow enough time to enter the system and board the last train.

Last train departure times are posted at each station kiosk.

----- **Fares** Peak fares are in effect weekdays 5:30 - 9:30 a.m. and 3 - 8 p.m. Off-peak fares are in effect at all other times ----- **How to Use the Metro**

**July 1996** Metro station entrances are marked by tall brown columns with a large "M" on each side. Metro lines are color-coded: Blue, Green, Orange, Red and Yellow. Not only does the column identify the station by name, but the color stripes at the top show which Metrorail lines serve that station. Maps in the stations and inside the trains also help you find your way.

**Finding Your Route** Check the backlit maps near the farecard machines to determine the line or lines you need. Note the destination (last stop) of the line going in the direction you want to go. Note any stations where you need to transfer. Transfer stations are marked with a double black circle.

**Metro Fares** Your Metrorail fare depends on when and how far you travel. Peak fares are charged weekdays between 5:30 - 9:30 a.m. and 3 - 8 p.m. Off-peak fares are charged at all other times. Fares are posted in all Metrobuses and at all Metro station kiosks. Up to two children 4 years old or younger ride free when accompanied by a paying passenger.

On Metrorail, you need a magnetically encoded farecard to ride. Each passenger must have one. Farecards can be purchased at any Metro station for as little as \$1.10 - the least expensive ride - or for as much as \$45. You get a 10 percent bonus when you buy one for \$20 or more (for

example, pay \$20, get a farecard worth \$22). Note: Farecard machines give change in coins and the maximum change returned is \$4.95. Keep this in mind if you are using a large bill.

If you're transferring from Metrorail to Metrobus in the District of Columbia or Virginia, get a rail transfer at the station where you enter and give it to the Metrobus operator when you first board to receive a discount on your bus fare.

**How to Buy a Farecard** Metro has two kinds of farecard vending machines. The standard farecard vending machines are marked Farecards and several are located at each station's mezzanine. The other type is marked Passes/Farecards. You'll find them at selected Metro stations. Both are easy to use.

**Farecards vending machines** 1. Insert money into the slot.

2. Press the minus (-) or plus (+) button until the lighted display shows the value you want.

3. Press the white Push for Farecard button and remove your farecard. Your change will be returned in coins near the bottom of the machine.

**Passes/Farecards machines** (at selected stations) The machine talks. Push Audio button to activate.

To buy a pass or passes: 1. Select A (pass) then select type of pass.

2. Choose the number of passes.

3. Press C to confirm.

4. Insert money and/or farecard.

5. Remove passes as they are issued and any change.

To buy a farecard or farecards: 1. Select B (single farecard) or C (multiple farecards).

2. If buying more than one, select number of farecards you want.

3. Use the plus (+) or minus (-) button to choose the value of the farecard(s).

4. Press C to confirm the selection is correct.

5. Insert money and/or farecard.

6. Remove farecard(s) and any change.

Please note: Farecards are not refundable.

**How to Use Your Farecard** At the Metro station, just insert your farecard into the gate with the green light and white arrow. Keep your farecard! You'll need it to exit. When you exit, your fare is automatically deducted and your farecard is returned if any value remains. Farecards with no remaining value are kept by the faregate. If your farecard does not have enough fare for you to exit, you need to add money at the exitfare machine.

**Where to Wait for the Train** Signs in each station tell you which side of the platform to wait for your train. Read down until you find your destination station. Trains generally stop in the middle of each platform. Destinations are displayed over the train's front and side windows. The color of the line is shown in the front window.

**Metro Manners** • Please do not eat, drink, smoke or litter on Metro vehicles or in stations. It's illegal and punishable by fine and/or jail.

- Tape players and portable radios are allowed as long as you use an earphone or headset.

- Do unto others . . . Let passengers leaving the bus or train get off before you try to get on.

- Be kind. Special seats are reserved for senior citizens and riders with disabilities. Please give up your seat if you see them standing.

**Hot Tips** • Parking at Metro-operated lots is free on weekends.

Note: Free parking is available only at lots owned by Metro. Some lots adjacent to Metro stations are privately owned and do not offer free parking. Check before you park.

- If you are traveling late at night, check the signs on the station manager's kiosk for the time the last trains leave the station. At many stations, the last train departs before midnight. Allow at least five minutes to get to the platform before the last train is scheduled to leave the station.
- Metro has a great selection of passes that can save you money. The more you ride, the more you can save.

Call 202-637-7000 to find out more.

- Magnets and Metro farecards don't mix. Keep your farecard away from credit cards and magnetic wallet clasps.

----- Metrorail Telephone Numbers Metro Metrobus/Metrorail Information (daily, 6 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.) Phone: 202-637-7000 TDD: 202-638-3780 Events Hotline (recorded information/daily, 24 hours) Phone: 202-783-1070 Consumer Assistance (weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.) Phone: 202-637-1328 TDD: 202-638-3780 On-Call Metrobus Service (daily, 24 hours) Phone: 202-962-1825 MetroAccess, curb-to-curb service for those unable to use Metrorail and Metrobus service (weekdays, 7 a.m.

to 6 p.m.) Phone: 301-588-8181 TDD: 301-588-8186 Metro ID Cards for People with Disabilities/Medicare cardholders (weekdays, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.) Phone: 202-962-1245 TDD: 202-628-8973 Lost and Found (weekdays, 11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., leave message 24 hours) Phone: 202-962-1195 Bicycle Lockers/Bike-on-Rail Permits (recorded information/daily, 24 hours) Phone: 202-962-1116 Metro Transit Police (Emergencies only, daily, 24 hours) Phone: 202-962-2121 ----- HOW TO GET TO METRO STATIONS There are 75 Metro

stations in service. Here are directions to the easiest to get to Metro stations from outside of Washington. Good news! They also are the ones with the largest parking lots. Even better: parking is FREE at Metro-operated lots on weekends and federal holidays. Most weekends, it's easy to find a space at Metro parking lots. On weekdays, they fill up early. TIP: Most times you can find a space at Franconia-Springfield and Greenbelt stations.

Driving From Out of Town Directions from the North (Philadelphia, Baltimore via I-95, Baltimore-Washington Parkway) To: GREENBELT STATION From north or west of Washington, take I-495 east/south to Exit 24 which takes you directly to Greenbelt station. From south or east of Washington, take I-495 west/north to exit 23 (Kenilworth Avenue/Maryland Route 201). Take Route 201 north toward Beltsville.

Turn left onto Cherrywood Lane and look for Metro station signs. The station entrance is on the right off Cherrywood Lane immediately after the bridge crossing I-495. From north of Washington via I-95 or Route 29, take I-95 south to I-495/I-95 east/south toward Andrews AFB. Take I-495 east/south to exit 24 (Greenbelt station).

To: ANACOSTIA STATION via Baltimore-Washington Parkway Follow Kenilworth Ave. to I-295 South. Take Howard Road exit. Turn right at end of ramp into station.

Directions from the Northwest (Frederick via I-270) To: SHADY GROVE STATION Follow I-270 to the I-370 East exit. Proceed east for approximately 3 miles. Look for Metro logo and station signs for Shady Grove Metrorail Station and parking.

Directions from the West (Front Royal, Manassas via I-66) To: VIENNA STATION Take I-66 east to Nutley Street (VA Rte. 243) South. Follow signs to Metrorail parking.

Directions from the South (Fredericksburg via I-95) To: FRANCONIA-SPRINGFIELD STATION From south of Washington via I-95, take Franconia Road (Rt. 644) east to the second traffic light, Frontier Drive. Turn right on Frontier Drive and continue on Frontier Drive, under the Franconia-Springfield Parkway, to Franconia-Springfield station.

OR To: HUNTINGTON STATION Proceed north on I-95 to intersection of I-95 and I-495 (Capital Beltway). Follow I-95 north (Outer Loop) to Exit 2A-Telegraph Road South. At end of exit ramp continue straight onto Huntington Avenue.

Station is approximately a half mile on right.

Directions from Southern Maryland (via Route 210-Indian Head Hwy.) To: ANACOSTIA STATION Take Route 210 North to I-295 North to Suitland Parkway-U.S. Naval Station Exit. Turn left at end of ramp onto Firth Sterling; continue beyond Suitland Parkway to Howard Road; turn left; proceed beyond overpass to station entrance on right.

Directions from the East (Annapolis, Eastern Shore via US 50) To: NEW CARROLLTON STATION Follow U.S. Route 50 West to sign marked I-95 North towards Silver Spring. Do not enter highway; instead take exit which says "Local Only - Garden City Drive." Look for Metrorail station signs. Station is approximately 3/4 mile ahead on right.

----- Parking at Metro Stations Parking at Metro operated lots is FREE on weekends and federal holidays.

All-day parking is available for up to 24 hours. Collection hours are upon exit, 2 to 10 p.m., except at stations designated with a E or P (see below). Suburban lots and garages often become full by 8:00 a.m. on weekdays. Lots marked with a T have temporary fare reductions as noted.

Note: We strive to provide accurate reference material for your convenience but parking is governed by the posted rates and restrictions at the parking facility. Please let us know about discrepancies via our Customer Comment Form.

Station Name Number of All-Day Spaces Cost per Day Addison Road 1,268 \$1.75 Anacostia 808 \$2.00 Capitol Heights(E) 373 \$1.75 Cheverly 530 \$1.75 College Park-U of Md(T) 530 \$1.00 Deanwood(E) 194 \$2.00 Dunn Loring 1,319 \$2.25 East Falls Church 422 \$2.25 Forest Glen 596 \$2.25 Fort Totten(E) 356 \$2.00 Franconia-Springfield 3,856 \$1.00 Greenbelt(T) 3,364 \$1.00 Grosvenor 641 \$2.25 Huntington 3,090 \$2.25 Landover 1,866 \$1.75 Minnesota Ave(E) 333 \$1.00 New Carrollton 1,948 \$1.75 Prince George's Plaza (T) 1,068 \$1.00 Rhode Island Ave(E) 340 \$2.00 Rockville 538 \$2.25 Shady Grove 2,951 \$2.25 Twinbrook(P) 1,098 \$2.25 Van Dorn Street 361 \$2.25 Vienna 3,641 \$2.25 West Falls Church 1,062 \$2.25 West Hyattsville 453 \$1.75 Wheaton(E) 977 \$2.25 White Flint(P) 991 \$2.25 T Temporary fee reduction E Fees are collected upon entry, 5 to 10 a.m.

P Fees are collected upon exit, 12 to 10 p.m.

Show rail transfer obtained within the previous two hours at any other station to the parking attendant when leaving White Flint, Twinbrook and New Carrollton stations to avoid higher non-rider fee.

Park free at Glenmont garage and take Ride-on, Routes 46, 47, 48 or 49 on Georgia Avenue and Routes 43 or 44 on Layhill Road to Wheaton station. The 298-space garage is at the future Glenmont station site on the northeast corner of Georgia Avenue and Layhill Road in Montgomery County.

----- Commuters and Frequent Riders These passes are valid for designated two week periods.

Bus/Rail SUPER Pass - \$65. Valid for two weeks of unlimited Metrobus and Metrorail rides. This pass covers the full fare including surcharges on Metrobus.

Arlington County Flash Pass - \$25. This pass covers two weeks of unlimited Metrobus rides anywhere within Arlington County only and includes \$15 rail value that you can use system wide.

Senior Citizen and Disabled Pass - \$15.50. Valid for unlimited Metrobus trips for two weeks and includes \$5 rail value you can use even after the 14-day period expires. You must have a Medicare or Metro ID Card to buy this pass. People 65 years or older and people with disabilities are eligible. Call for more information.

Short Trip Pass - \$35. This pass is valid for unlimited short-distance Metrorail rides that cost \$1.60 or less for 14 days in a row. If your trip costs more than \$1.60, use the Exitfare machine to deposit the additional fare. Your pass will be returned to you to use for the rest of the 14-day period.

Fast Pass - \$50. This pass is valid for unlimited Metrorail rides for 14 days in a row.

28-Day Pass - \$100. This pass is valid for unlimited travel on Metrorail for 28 days in a row.

----- Commuters and Frequent Riders (bus only) Just flash your pass each time you board the bus. Avoid transfer charges and the need to carry exact change. All Metrobus Flash Passes are valid for specific two-week periods.

DC Base Flash Pass - \$20. This pass is valid for unlimited (\$1.10 base fare) Metrobus trips within the District of Columbia only. This pass cannot be used as partial payment for an interstate trip.

MD Base Flash Pass - \$20. This pass is valid for unlimited (\$1.10 base fare) Metrobus trips within Maryland only. This pass cannot be used as partial payment of an interstate trip.

MD-DC Flash Pass - \$30. During peak hours, covers the cost of trips between and within Maryland and the District of Columbia and the base fare (\$1.10) for any trip within Virginia. During off-peak hours, this pass is valid for unlimited Metrobus travel system wide.

VA Base Flash Pass - \$20. Valid for unlimited one-zone Metrobus trips (\$1.10 base fare) within Virginia only. This pass cannot be used as partial payment of an interstate trip.

VA 2-Zone Flash Pass - \$27. During peak hours, this pass covers any two-zone trip (\$1.45 fare) in Virginia and the base fare (\$1.10) in the District of Columbia and Maryland. During off-peak hours, this pass is valid for unlimited Metrobus travel system wide.

VA 3-Zone Flash Pass - \$34. During peak hours, this pass covers the cost of any trip within Virginia and the base fare (\$1.10) in the District of Columbia and Maryland. During off-peak hours, the pass is valid for unlimited Metrobus travel system wide.

Metrobus Tokens - Metrobus tokens are available in packages of ten for \$11 or 20 for \$22. Tokens can be used for the base fare (\$1.10) system wide on any Metrobus.

Note: The Virginia Flash Passes, the MD-DC Flash Pass and the Bus/Rail SUPER Pass are accepted on Alexandria DASH and Fairfax Connector buses. The MD Base, MD-DC, VA 2- and 3-Zone Flash Passes and the Bus/Rail SUPER Pass are accepted on Montgomery County Ride-On buses.

----- BIKE-ON-RAIL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM

1. Hours of Use: The Metro Bike-On-Rail Program allows passengers to bring bicycles on board Metro trains on weekdays (Monday through Friday) mid-day between 10:00 a.m.

and 2:00 p.m. and again after 7:00 p.m.; all day on Saturdays and Sundays; and all day on the following holidays: Martin Luther King's Birthday observed, Washington's Birthday observed, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day observed, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Bicycles will not be allowed on trains before 10:00 a.m.

or between 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on weekdays (except as noted above), or on July 4th. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) reserves the right to suspend (with prior notice) transport of bicycles on Metro on any weekday, Saturday, Sunday or holiday (as

shown above) when an area special event could cause a large increase in Metro ridership. Bicycles may not be transported on Metro buses at any time.

2. Policy: This program affects non-collapsible, operational bicycles. Folding bicycles and those non-collapsible bicycles which are disassembled and enclosed in a suitable carrying bag or box are already permitted. This policy will continue.

(A folding bicycle is one in which the frame folds and the two wheels come together.) All other bicycles will require a permit, as specified herein.

3. Registration: A permit system has been established for safety reasons to limit participation to those who meet the permit requirements. The number of permits will relate to the safe capacity of the system to accommodate bicycles.

4. Permits: Permits will be issued to persons 16 years of age or over. Children (ages 12 through 15) may also be issued permits, subject to the same rules and regulations as the adult permits, provided the application is signed by the child's parent or guardian, the parent or guardian accompanies the child during the application process, and the child is accompanied by a responsible adult (age 18 or older with a valid Bike-On-Rail permit) each time he/she takes a bicycle aboard a train. An adult may accompany only one child at a time. For minors (persons under 18), the waiver or indemnity agreement must be cosigned by a parent or guardian at the time the permit is issued. Children who have not reached the age of 12 may participate in the program by obtaining a Youth Permit without the testing requirement and as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid Bike-On-Rail Permit. Permits will be valid for three years from date of issuance.

Each permit will be numbered, have an expiration date, and have the registrant's photograph. Permits will be attached to a clip and must be displayed on the exterior of the cyclist's clothing and visible at all times while the cyclist is in a Metro station or on the train. Cyclists are responsible for their permits. If lost or stolen, cyclists must make a report within 48 hours to the Bike-On-Rail Office at the above address. Reissuance will be at the discretion of WMATA.

5. Permit Issuance Locations: Permits are issued by the WMATA Department of Public Service at the location given below between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. each weekday, except holidays. No appointment is necessary.

Please call 202/962-1116 for additional information on obtaining a permit.

Identification Card Office (Lobby Level) Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Jackson Graham Building 600 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001-2693 (Judiciary Square Metrorail Station - F Street Exit) Bike-On-Rail Permits can also be applied for at four other locations which will process applications, tests and photographs; you will need to provide two (2) current identical color photographs 1" (one inch) wide by 1-1/4" (one and one-quarter inches) high with your application at off-site locations; some locations may take the required photos. Checks or money orders (no cash) should be made payable to WMATA. These four locations and their hours are listed on the next page. For your convenience, please confirm the hours prior to arrival at the location.

Ballston Transit Store Ballston Common Shopping Mall Arlington, VA 703/ 528-3541 Open: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Saturdays 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Crystal City Commuter Service Center 1615-B Crystal Square Arcade Arlington, VA 703/ 413-4287 Open: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.

- 6 p.m.

Closed weekends and federal holidays Rosslyn Transit Store 1700 North Moore Street, Suite 235 Arlington, VA 22209 703/ 525-1995 Open: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

North Bethesda Transportation Center 5640 Nicholson Lane, Suite 224 Rockville, MD 20852

Call for schedule and shuttle 301/770-8108 Open: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Applications, tests, fees and permits applied for at the above transit stores sites will be processed by WMATA and mailed directly to the permit holder after processing. None of the above transit sites can process replacements for lost permits.

6. Fee: A non-refundable fee of \$15.00 is charged for issuance of a three-year permit, both new and renewal. A replacement charge of \$5.00 will be made for a lost or stolen permit.

7. Liability: A waiver indemnifying and releasing WMATA from all injury, loss and/or damage involving any bicycle brought into station areas and aboard trains under this program must be signed by all registrants at the time the permit is issued. For minors (persons under age 18), the waiver or indemnity agreement must be cosigned by a parent or guardian at the time the permit is issued.

8. Revocation of Permits: Cyclists will be required to observe the Rules and Regulations of the program. Cyclists failing to abide by the Rules and Regulations are subject to revocation of their permits. Additionally, the Public Conduct Ordinances of the respective local jurisdictions provide for the possibility of fines and/or arrest and prosecution for violation of those ordinances.

9. Safety Testing: Before issuance of a permit, the registrant must review the Rules and Regulations and safety procedures, and then successfully pass a written, proctored test. The parent or guardian of a child under the age of 15 must attend the permit session with their child.

10. Renewals: Permits can be renewed at the Identification Card Office in the WMATA Jackson Graham Building (address specified herein) or by mail. Your current address and telephone number should be indicated with your renewal request. Renewed permits will be valid for three years from date of renewal; the fee is \$15.00 for each renewal.

By mail: For the first renewal of three years, Bike-On-Rail permit holders can mail in a copy of their current, valid permit, along with the appropriate permit fee and receive a renewal sticker that should be placed on the front of the permit per instructions provided with the sticker. For subsequent renewals (second and more) by mail after the first, permit holders must send in their current permit, two (2) identical color photographs 1" (one inch) wide by 1-1/4" (one and one-quarter inches) high, and a check/money order (no cash) payable to WMATA in the amount of the specified non-refundable permit fee. The above items are to be sent in an envelope to: Bike-On-Rail Program, 600 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001-2693. Lost or stolen permits CANNOT be replaced by mail.

**TRANSPORT PROCEDURES** 1. Vertical Circulation (Moving bicycle from street level to platform): Cyclists will be required to gain access to mezzanines and platforms only by use of the elevators.

Escalators and stairs shall not be used except by special request (for emergency reasons) from Metro Station Managers, Metro Transit Police, or city or county police or fire officials. Cyclists should show courtesy towards other passengers when placing their bicycle in or taking their bicycle out of the elevators. When boarding elevators, disabled persons have priority over cyclists. When it appears that the bicycle will cause an inconvenience or possible injury to other passengers, cyclists shall wait for the next elevator.

2. **Payment of Fare:** The cyclist is required to pay the established fare each time he/she rides Metro. At the Metro station mezzanine, the cyclist shall park the bicycle outside the faregates, out of the way of other passengers, process his/her farecard and walk through the faregate, then exit via the service gate, take the bicycle and enter again through the service gate with the bicycle, then descend or ascend to the platform via the elevator. At the exit station, cyclist shall ascend or descend to the mezzanine via the elevator, park the bicycle inside the faregates out of the way of passengers, process the farecard and walk through the faregate, then enter through the service gate, and exit with the bicycle again through the service gate. At stations where elevators bypass the mezzanine, the cyclist must process his/her farecard in the special farecard processor located on the platform, just outside the elevator.

3. **Boarding Trains:** Only the two end sections of the last car of a train shall be used by cyclists. Each Metro car has three sets of doors on each side of the train. Bicycles shall not be transported through the middle set of doors on the car or the aisle of the car between the end sets of doors. No more than two (2) bicycles shall be allowed on the last car of a train during mid-day access times on weekdays and no more than four (4) per train weekdays after 7:00 p.m. and on weekends or holidays. During weekday, mid-day access, no more than two bicycles shall be allowed on the last car of a train at any time -- one (1) at each end; on weekends, holidays and after 7:00 weekdays, no more than four (4) bicycles shall be permitted on the last car of the train, two (2) at each end.

Cyclists must wait until all exiting and entering passengers have cleared the doorway before moving the bicycle into the car. Aboard the train, whether standing or sitting, the cyclist must hold the bicycle firmly at all times, kickstand up, and not allow bicycles to lean against patrons or any part of the Metro train. Cyclist is responsible for injury to self or other passengers, as well as for damage to the bicycle or rail car caused by the cyclist's bicycle, including any injury or damage caused by cyclist losing control of bicycle during sudden train stops and/or accelerations.

4. **Display of Permit:** The Metro Bike-On-Rail Permit shall be displayed on the exterior of the cyclist's clothing and visible at all times while transporting the bicycle on rail cars and in Metro stations. Permit is to be surrendered on demand by Metro Station Manager, Metro Transit Police, or city or county police at any time.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS Metro Bike-On-Rail 1.** A valid Metro Bike-On-Rail Permit is required for a cyclist to transport one non-collapsible bicycle aboard Metro trains at certain times and under the conditions set forth hereinafter.

2. Permits will be issued to persons 16 years of age or over.

Children under the age of 15 may also be issued Youth Permits, subject to the same rules and regulations as the adult permits, provided the application is cosigned by the child's parent or guardian at the time the permit is issued, the parent or guardian accompanies the child to get the permit, and the child is accompanied by a responsible adult (age 18 or older with a valid Bike-On-Rail Permit) each time he/she takes a bicycle aboard a train. An adult may accompany only one child at a time.

3. The Bike-On-Rail Permit must be displayed on exterior of cyclist's clothing and visible at all time while the cyclist is in Metro stations or on the train. Permit must be shown to Metro Station Managers or Metro Transit Police on entering the paid area of the Metro station mezzanine and upon demand at any other time. Permit must be surrendered to these officials on demand in case of an alleged rule infraction.



4. Metro Bike-On-Rail Permits are not transferable.
5. The Metro Bike-On-Rail Program allows passengers to bring their bicycles on board Metro trains on weekdays (Monday through Friday) between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and after 7:00 p.m.; all day on Saturdays and Sundays; and all day on the following holidays: Martin Luther King's Birthday observed, Washington's Birthday observed, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day observed, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Bicycles will not be allowed on trains before 7:00 p.m. on weekdays (except as noted above) or on July 4th. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) reserves the right to suspend (with prior notice) transport of bicycles on Metro on any weekday, Saturday, Sunday or holiday (as shown above) when an area special event could cause a large increase in Metro ridership. Bicycles may not be transported on Metrobuses at any time.
6. On days that bicycles are permitted, Metro Station Managers or Metro Transit Police may, at their discretion during periods of passenger congestion, temporarily deny cyclists access to station mezzanines and platforms until the congestion is cleared.
7. Bicycles are allowed under this program are conventional two-wheeled vehicles such as are ridden by older children and adults, not longer than 80 inches, higher than 48 inches or wider than 22 inches. Motor-powered bicycles, tandem bicycles, motorcycles, mopeds, tricycles, and bicycles with training wheels are not allowed.
8. Bicycles must be clean and free of excess grease and dirt and not have any sharp projections.
9. Cyclists shall move their bicycles into and out of Metro stations only by the elevator, unless instructed otherwise by a Metro Station Manager, Metro Transit Police officer, or city or county police or fire officials. Cyclists must show courtesy towards other passengers when placing their bicycle in or taking their bicycle out of the elevators. When boarding elevators, disabled persons have priority over cyclists. When it appears that the bicycle will cause an inconvenience or possible injury to other passengers, the cyclist must wait for the next elevator.
10. Bicycles shall not be left unattended at any time, except when cyclist is processing a farecard to enter or exit the paid area of the Metro station mezzanine or when seeking assistance from Metro Station Manager or Metro Transit Police. Cyclist shall not use kickstand, except when processing farecard and must not lean bicycle against seats, walls, pylons, or any part of platform or trains, and must hold and have control of bicycle at all times except when paying a fare or seeking assistance from Metro Station Manager or Metro Transit Police.
11. Bicycle riding anywhere in Metro stations or station areas, including but not limited to station platforms, mezzanines and corridors, is strictly prohibited. Station areas shall not be considered to include parking lots or other areas intended for vehicle traffic.
12. Cyclists shall await trains as far away from the granite edge of the platform as possible and not allow bicycle to interfere with passengers on the platform when boarding or alighting a train.
13. Cyclists must wait until all exiting and entering passengers have cleared the doorway before moving bicycle into the train.
14. Only the two end sections of the last car of a train shall be used by cyclists. Each Metro car has three sets of doors on each side of the train. Bicycles shall not be transported through the middle set of doors on the car or the aisle of the car between the end sets of doors. During weekday, mid-day access times, no more than one (1) bicycle may be in each end section of the last car at a time; hence, only two (2) bicycles may be in a rail car during this time. On weekends, holidays, and after 7:00 p.m. weekdays, no more than two (2) bicycles may be in each end section of the last car at a time; hence, no more than four (4) bicycles may be on a rail car

during these times. If these two authorized areas are full of passengers or already contain the maximum number of bicycles allowed, a cyclist must wait for the next train that has space available.

15. Bicycles must at no time block any portion of the car doors used by passengers to board and alight.

16. In case of emergency evacuation of a Metro train, and upon direction of a Metro Train Operator, Metro Station Manager, Metro Transit Police, or city or county police or fire officials, bicycles shall be placed on top of the seats and left on the trains. WMATA assumes no responsibility for their loss or damage.

17. In addition to these rules and regulations, the cyclist must abide by the instructions and directives of Metro Station Managers, Metro Train Operators, Metro Transit Police, or city or county police and fire officials.

18. Cyclists failing to abide by these rules and regulations are subject to revocation of their permits. Additionally, the Public Conduct Ordinances of the respective local jurisdictions provide for the possibility of fines and/or arrest and prosecution for violation of those ordinances.

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